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DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE PROJECT COMPLETED

Herndon, VA (March 25, 2008) – Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis, members of the Town Council and citizens gathered this evening in Herndon's historic downtown to officially celebrate the completion of Phase I of the Town's Historic Revitalization Project, to include streetscape and pedestrian improvements designed to enhance the safety and appearance of streets and sidewalks in the downtown area.

As part of the project, sidewalks, streets and landscaping were replaced around the Town Hall and on Lynn Street, to include the installation of curbs and gutters, brick paving on the sidewalks and irrigation and landscaping around Town Hall. A new traffic light at the intersection of Lynn and Elden Streets was also installed, facilitating safe crossing for walkers, bikers and hikers on the W&OD Trail.

The project was funded through grants from the federal Transportation Enhancement Program, administered by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) as well as Town funds allocated to the project.

"The heart of Herndon is in our historic downtown," said DeBenedittis. "Completion of this project is good for the businesses located here as well as for visitors to our Town and citizens who come downtown to shop, eat and visit with neighbors and friends."

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named Herndon one of the nation's "Best Affordable Suburbs."

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